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SUBJECT: DR. DIETER FELDMANN
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EXCON FOR COMMERCE

1. DR. FELDMANN WAS INTERVIEWED BY THE CONGEN ON MAY 3, 1973 AT HIS OFFICE AT THE RUHR UNIVERSITY. DR. FELDMANN IS WILLING TO SIGN DEPOSITION, WHICH IS BEING PREPARED, AND TO PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY PERTINENT CORRESPONDENCE IN HIS POSSESSION. HE IS HOWEVER UNWILLING TO TRAVEL TO THE US FOR THE PURPOSE OF TESTIFYING BECAUSE OF AN EXTREMELY HEAVY SCHEDULE AND BECAUSE HE DOES NOT FEEL THAT HIS TESTIMONY WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE CASE. A SUMMARY OF DR. FELDMANN' S COMMENTS FOLLOWS. THE SUMMARY HAS NOT BEEN CLEARED THROUGH DR. FELDMANN (WE ARE UNABLE TO REACH HIM AT EITHER OF HIS OFFICES OR AT HIS HOME) AND INDIVIDUAL DETAILS MAY VARY BY THE TIME THE FINAL DEPOSITION IS PREPARED.

2. WE REQUEST THAT THIS SUMMARY CABLE BE PROVIDED AT THE EARLIET POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY
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LAZIN IN PHILADELPHIA AS AGREED IN A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN HIM AND MR. MORAN OF THE CONSULATE ON MAY 3.

3. SUMMARY OF FELDMANN' S COMMENTS: DR. FELDMANN ORIGINALLY BECAME INVOLVED WITH PGI THROUGH DR. OSTERTAG OF BASF WHO HAD RECOMMENDED TO HIM THAT HE OFFER HIS SERVICES TO PGI WHO WERE THEN SEEKING REPRESENTATION FOR WESTERN EUROPE. FELDMANN HAD ORIGINALLY BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH OSTERTAG THROUGH THEIR COMMON WORK AT WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB.

4. FELDMANN FIRST BECAME AWARE OF PGI' S INTENTION TO ATTEMPT TO MARKET IN THE EAST THROUGH A LETTER FROM BOVE DATED MARCH 20, 1972 IN WHICH BOVE DESCRIBED THE FIRM' S INTENTION TO EXHIBIT THEIR CONTROLLERS AT A FAIR IN MOSCOW. FELDMANN HAD HOWEVER PRIOR TO THAT TIME RECOMMENDED THE USE OF A YUGOSLAV STUDENT AT THE MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE (N. RUSOVIC) WHO HAD STUDIES MATHEMATICS AT THE UNIVERSITY IN MOSCOW. RUSOVIC WAS GIVEN SALES LITERATURE WHICH HE DELIVERED TO BUYING ORGANIZATIONS IN BOTH THE USSR AND YUGOSLAVIA. NO SALES RESLTED FROM THESE INITIAL CONTACTS HOWEVER. RUSOVIC HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN INVOLVED IN SALES IN THE EAST ON BEHALF OF BRUKER PHYSIK, AG, KARSRUHE.

5. IN MARCH OF 1972 BOVE ASKED FELDMANN TO RUN A CREDIT CHECK ON SYSTEL. THIS WAS FELDMANN' S FIRST CONTACT WITH THAT FIRM INCLUDED WAS ALSO A REQUEST TO ASCERTAIN BRAND' S POSITION WITH SYSTEL. THIS WAS ALSO THE FIRST TIME THAT FELDMANN HAD HEARD OF BRAND. ON APRIL 5, 1972 FELDMANN RECEIVED THE CREDIT REPORT WHICH INDICATED THAT CARAMANT WAS THE MAJOR SHAREHOLDER AND THAT BRAND WAS EMPLOYED BY SYSTEL AS A BUYER. THE REPORT ALSO LISTED ANOTHER FIRM, RUF DATENSYSTEM HAGENAUER UND HEILMANN, AS A SHARE HOLDER. OTHER THAN THAT THE REPORT WAS UNINFORMATIVE SO FELDMANN, AT HIS OWN INITATIVE RAN CREDIT CHECKS ON BOTH CARAMANT AND RUF. THE REPORTS DID NOT INDICATE THAT CARAMANT WAS A BARRED FIRM. THE REPORTS WERE TRANSLATED AND SENT TO BOVE.

6. IN A LETTER DATED APRIL 10, 1972 BOVE WROTE FELDMANN AND REQUESTED THAT HE CONTACT HIM AT THE SYSTEL BOOTH AT THE HANNOVER FAIR WHICH FELDMANN DID. AT THAT TIME PGI WAS STILL SEEKING A SUITABLE REPRESENTATIVE FOR WESTER
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